1 Scott S. Anders, WSBA #19732 Hon. Mary Jo Heston scott.anders@jordanramis.com Chapter: 7 2 Daniel L. Steinberg, WSBA #30080 Hearing Date: July 14, 2020 daniel.steinberg@jordanramis.com Hearing Time: 9:00 a.m. 3 Joseph A. Rohner IV, WSBA #47117 Response Date: July 7, 2020 JORDAN RAMIS PC 4 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Ste. 380 Vancouver, Washington 98683 5 Telephone: (360) 567-3900 Facsimile: (360) 567-3901 6 Attorneys for American Education Services 7 8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT 9 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 10 In re Case No. 19-43978-MJH 11 Adv No.: 20-04012-MJH ANGELA YUN DELGADO, 12 DECLARATION OF IN SUPPORT OF Debtor. AMERICAN EDUCATION SERVICES' 13 MOTION TO VACATE DEFAULT **JUDGMENT** 14 15 I, Katelynn Bias, do hereby state and declare as follows: 16 1. I am over eighteen years of age and am competent to make the statements 17 contained herein. I make this declaration based upon my personal knowledge and I am 18 competent to testify to the matters stated in this declaration. I make this declaration in support of 19 American Education Services' Motion to Vacate Default Judgment entered on or about May 19, 20 2020. 21 2. I am the Disability and Bankruptcy Processing Supervisor in the Guarantor 22 Insurer Relations Department and held this position for eight years. I have access to the business 23 records kept in the ordinary course that were necessary for me to have personal knowledge of the 24 statements made in this declaration. 25 3. Based on the business records of American Education Services, the Adversary 26

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Complaint and Summons filed by Ms. Delgado arrived at American Education Service's
physical location on or near March 23, 2020. By that date, however, substantial personnel and
staffing limitations were put in place in response to statewide restrictions that arose in the wake
of the Coronavirus Pandemic. These restrictions led to almost no staff members working and
processing mail in the ordinary course of business, which unfortunately also led to a delay of
several weeks in processing and addressing the Adversary Complaint. By the time this matter
was addressed, Plaintiff had already received and Order of Default and Judgment of Default.

- 4. As an additional complicating factor, the business records for Plaintiff's student loans have also used a different last name ("Angela Y. Motts" as opposed to the bankruptcy records, which were under "Angela Yun Delgado"). It took several additional days of processing and evaluation before we were able to discover which loans were at issue in this matter.
- 5. When the Adversary Complaint was processed and Plaintiff's name was matched to the appropriate loans, immediate efforts were made to retain local counsel to address the matter appropriately and to ask the court to set aside or vacate the Order and the Judgment of Default. By this time, however, both the Order and the Judgment had already been signed and entered by the Court.
- 6. Based on my review of the business records, Defendant American Education
 Services is not the owner of any of the loans discussed in the Adversary Complaint. The three
 loans discussed are owned by National Collegiate Student Loan Trust, and/or Towd Point.
 Neither of these entities were named as parties in the adversary complaint. Defendant, American
 Education Services holds no ownership interest in these loans, but is merely the loan servicer for
 the owners of the loans, the holder(s) of the note.

I HEREBY DECLARE THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND THAT I UNDERSTAND IT IS MADE FOR USE

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1	<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>
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